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### **Unconventional Onshore & Small Producer FACA Meeting**

Robert W. Siegfried September 9, 2010 Sugar Land, TX

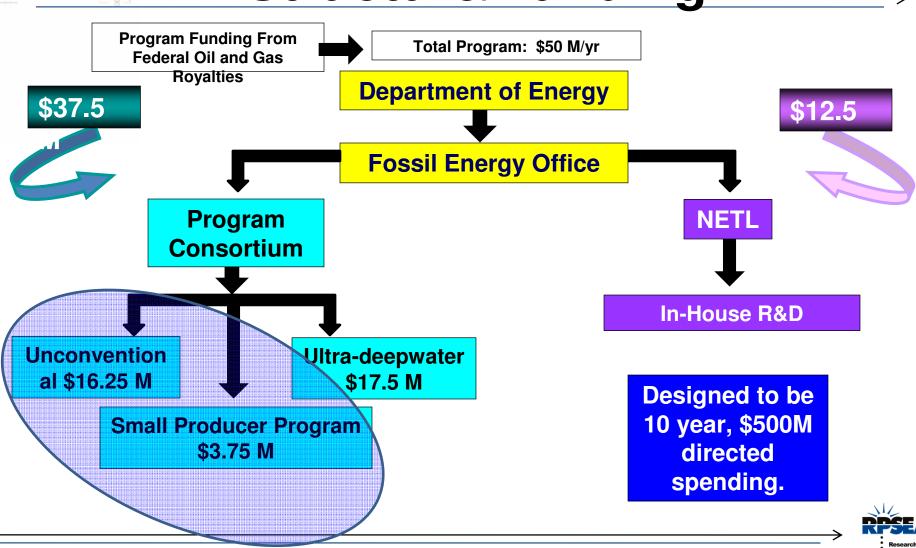


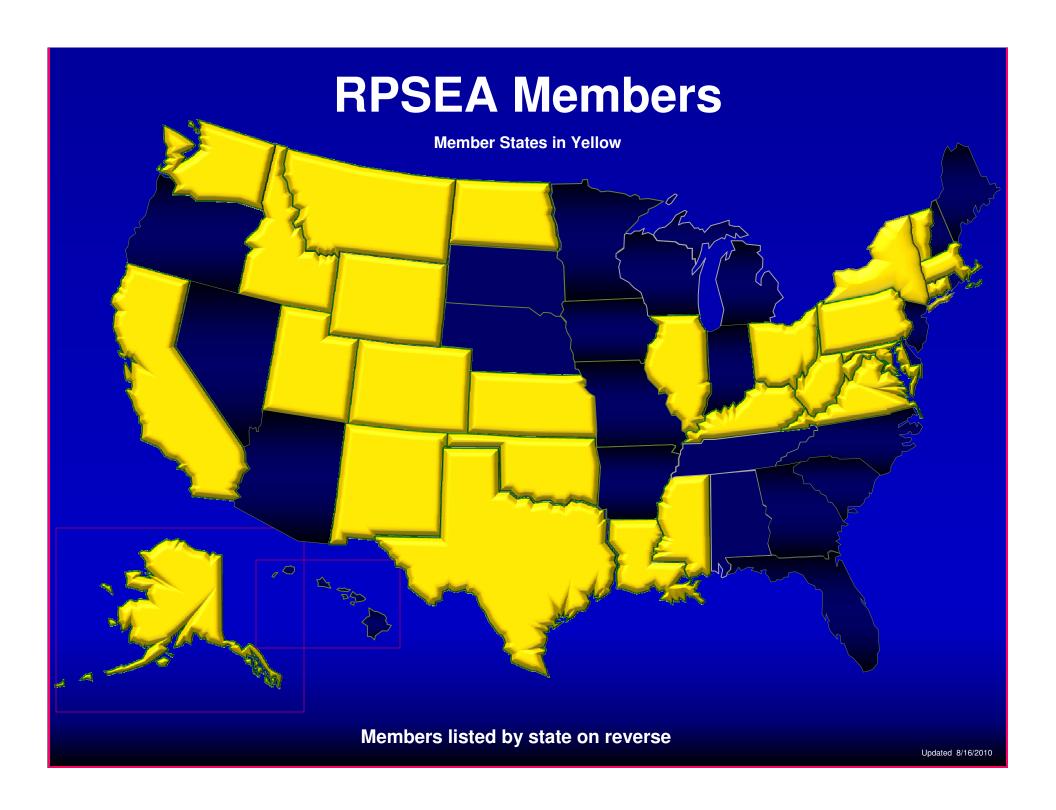
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# Current Program Structure/Funding





University of Alaska Fairbanks

AeroVironment , Inc Campbell Applied Physics Chevron Corporation

Conservation Committee of California Oil & Gas

Drilling & Production Company

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Vatural Carbon, LLC Paulsson, Inc

Stanford University

University of Southern California Waft Mineral Holdings, LLC

Aftira Group LLC Bill Barrett Corporation

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

Colorado Oil & Gas Association Colorado School of Mines

Energy Corporation of America DCP Midstream, LLC EnCana Corporation

HW Process Technologies, Inc Gunnison Energy Corporation

Leede Operating Company Noble Energy, Inc. VICo Resources

Robert L Bayless, Producer LLC Jniversity of Colorado at Boulder The Discovery Group, Inc Spatial Energy

Western Energy Alliance

Connecticut

APS Technology, Inc.

daho National Laboratory Geothermal Inc

Sas Technology Institute **Kansas** 

The University of Kansas

Greensburg Oil, LLC NGAS Resources, Inc

Louisiana State University Louisiana

Lockheed Martin Corporation

Massachusetts

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Noods Hole Oceanographic Institution Entropy Limited

Wississippi State University Jackson State University

Nance Resources

Correlations Company

Harvard Petroleum Corporation

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New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology Sandia National Laboratories

Strata Production Company

**New York** 

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Western Standard Energy Corporation

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Coat, Ltd

NGO Development Corporation The Ohio State University Wright State University

Devon Energy Corporation Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission Chesapeake Energy Corporation

Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association MAP Royalty, Inc.

Petroleum Technology Transfer Council Parither Energy Company, LLC

The Fleischaker Companies The University of Oklahoma

The Williams Companies, Inc. The University of Tulsa

Pennsylvania

The Pennsylvania State University Vista Resources, Inc.

Acute Technological Services, Inc. Advantek International Corp. exas

Consulting, Inc. Alcoa Oil and Gas

Anadarko Petroleum Corporation Balance Americas L L C Apache Corporation

Baker Hughes Incorporated Blade Energy Partners, Ltd BJ Services Company

BP America, Inc

Capstone Turbine Corporation Cameron/Curtiss-Wright EMD Consumer Energy Alliance BMT Scientific Marine Ser ConocoPhillips Company CARBO Ceramics, Inc. City of Sugar Land

Deepwater Structures, Inc Deepwater XLP Technology, LLP DeepFlex Inc

CSI Technologies, Inc.

Det Norske Veritas (USA) ExxonMobil Corporation GE OII & Gas

VersaMarine Engineering, LLC Weatherford International Ltd

**WFS Energy & Environment** 

2H Offshore Inc Novatek, LLC

Ziebel

Greater Fort Bend Economic Development Council Granherne, Inc

eral Marine Contractors, LLC

GSI Environmental, Inc

Houston Advanced Research Center Houston Offshore Engineering, LLC Intelligent Agent Corporation Houston Technology Center Knowledge Reservoir, LLC HIMA Americas, Inc.

Konsberg Oil & Gas Technologies Inc

ndependent Petroleum Association of America

Integrated Ocean Drilling Program

BlueView Technologies, Inc.

Quest Integrated, Inc. Washington D.C. West Virginia

Advanced Resources International, Inc.

American Gas Association

New England Research, Inc.

he University of Utah

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Marathon Oil Corporation

M&H Energy Services Merrick Systems, Inc. Valco Company

Consortium for Ocean Leadership

National Oilwell Varco, Inc. VanoRidge Materials, Inc.

Naufilus International, LLC Vexen Petroleum USA Inc. Neptec USA

Oceaneering International, Inc. OTM Consulting Ltd

Petris Technology, Inc.

Oxane Materials, Inc.

Newfoundland, Canada

Propel Inc

Big Cat Energy Corporation

EnerCrest, Inc WellDog, Inc

West Virginia University

Petrobras America, Inc.

Pioneer Natural Resources Company Quanelle, LLC

Quest Offshore Resources Rock Solid Images Rice University

Shell International Exploration & Production Simmons & Company International Schlumberger Limited RTI Energy Systems

Southern Methodist University Southwest Research Institute SiteLark, LLC

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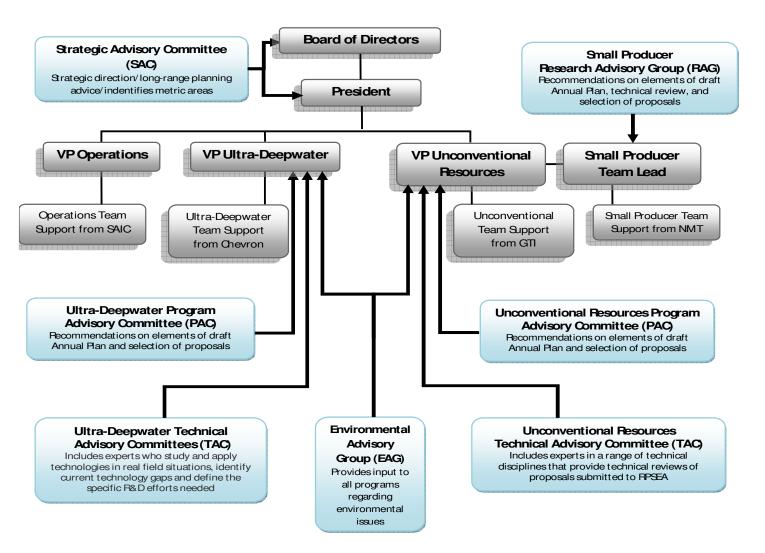
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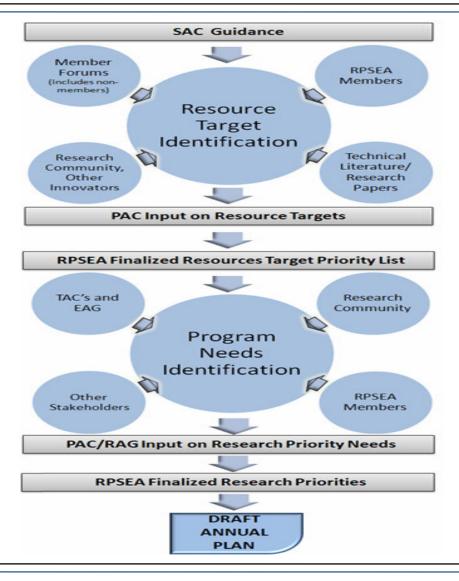
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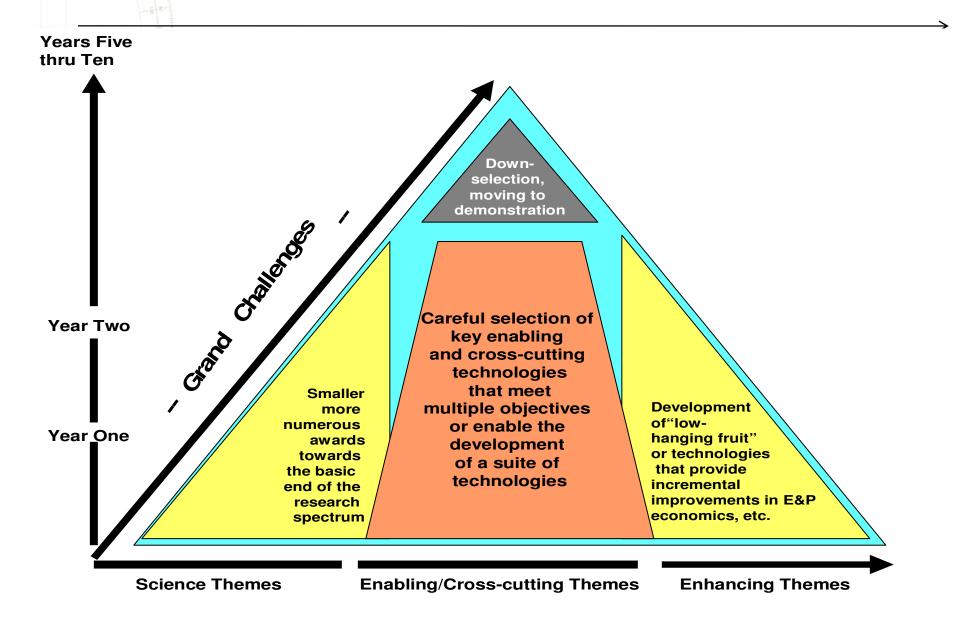
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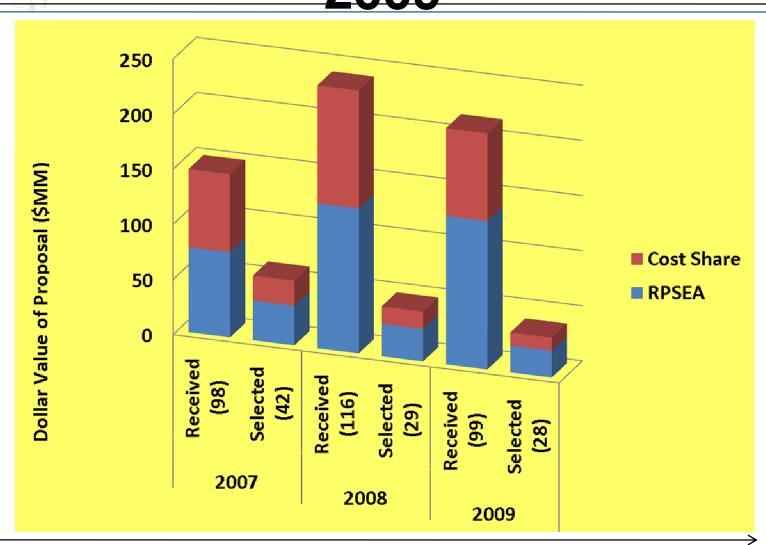
#### **RPSEA 2010 dAP Process Flow**



### **Building a Relevant Portfolio**

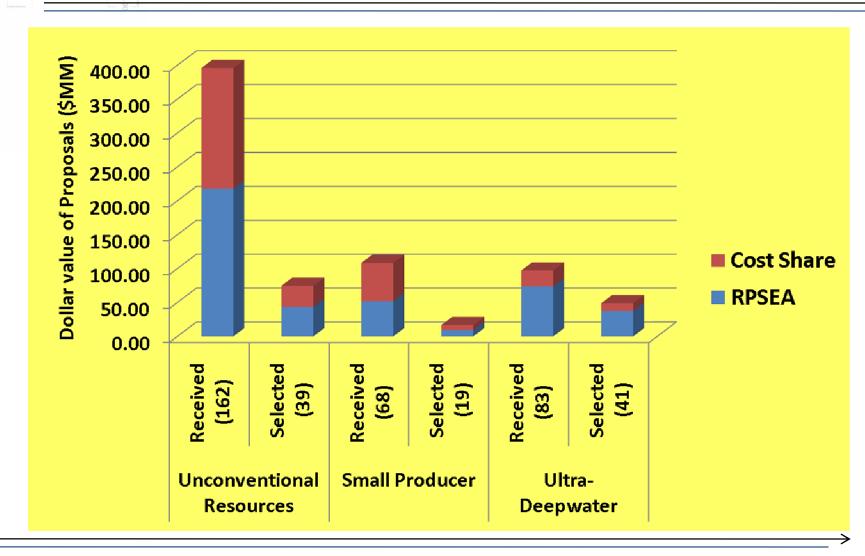


### Summary of Proposals 2007-2009





### **2007-2009 Proposals**





#### **Portfolio Overview**

RPSEA Program Selections 2007-2009					
	Small Produce r	Unconvention al Resources	Ultra- Deepwater	Total	
Universities	14	25	10	49	
For Profits	4	4	25	33	
Non-Profits	0	4	5	9	
National Labs	1	3	1	5	
State Agencies	0	3	0	3	
Total Selected	19	39	41	99	

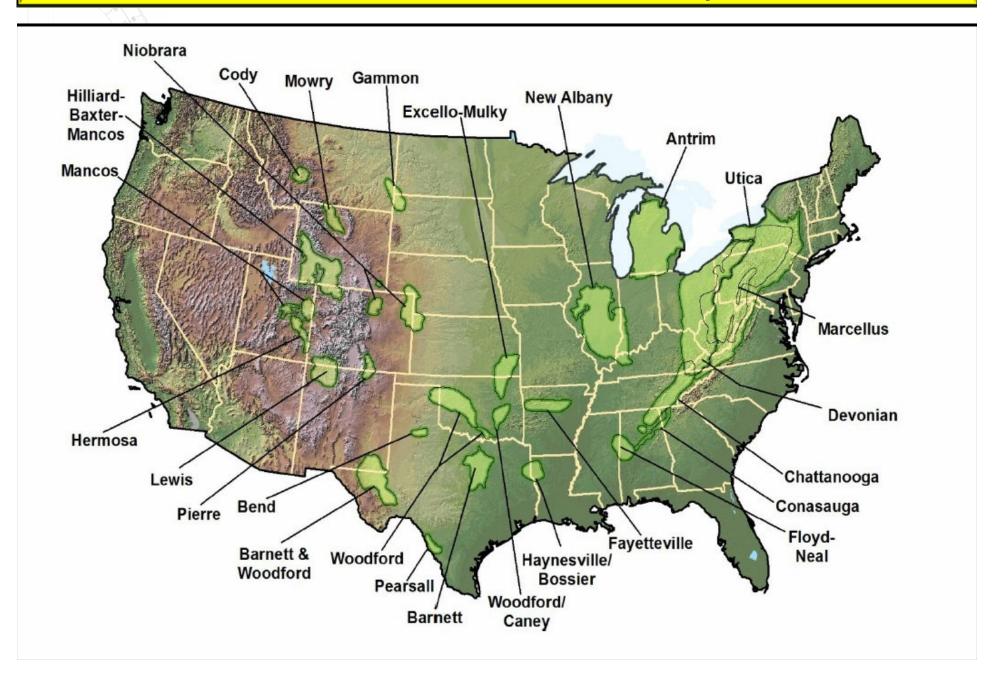


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#### **U.S. Unconventional Shale Gas Plays**



#### **Unconventional Gas**

- Potential to Impact National, International Energy Supply
  - Abundant
  - Low carbon

Suitable for transportation and power generation

- Technical Challenges
  - Cost
  - Environmental impact of development
  - These challenges are closely related
  - Concern over safety and unplanned environmental impact



### 2011 Draft Annual Plan – Unconventional Onshore Program

#### Mission & Goal

- Unchanged from 2007-2010
- Economically viable technologies to allow environmentally acceptable development of unconventional gas resources
  - Gas Shales
  - Tight Sands
  - Coalbed Methane

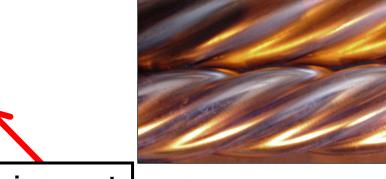
#### Objectives

- Near Term
  - Increase production & recovery from established unconventional gas resources, accelerate development of existing & emerging plays
  - Decrease environmental impact of unconventional gas development
  - Integrate project results & deliverables and engage in technology transfer to ensure application of program results
- Longer Term

#### **Unconventional Onshore Themes**

#### Gas Shales

- Rock properties/Formation Evaluation
- Fluid flow and storage
- Stimulation
- Water management
- Coalbed Methane
  - Produced water management
- Tight Sands
  - Natural fractures
  - Sweet spots
  - Formation Evaluation
  - Wellbore-reservoir connectivity
  - Surface footprint



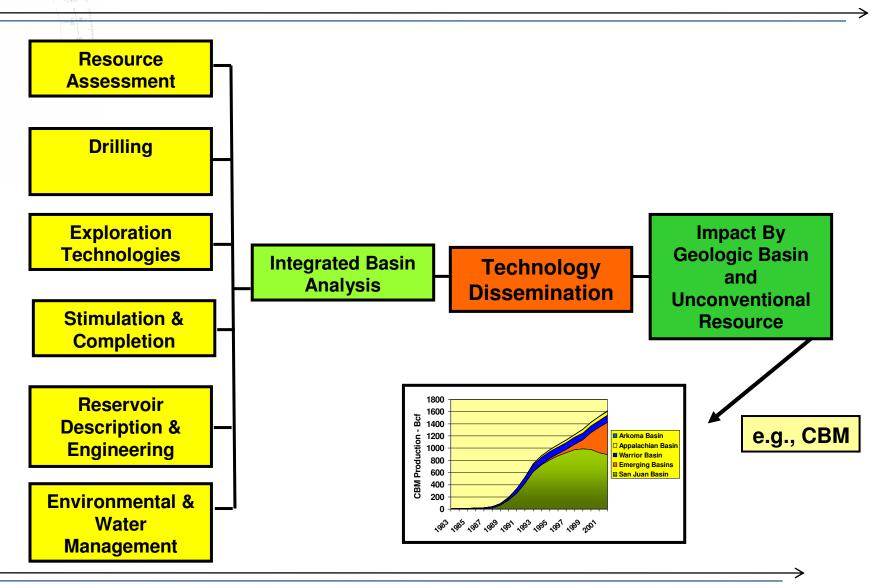
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Aspects of Operations





### RPSEA Unconventional Gas Program Components & Approach – Built Over 2007-2010



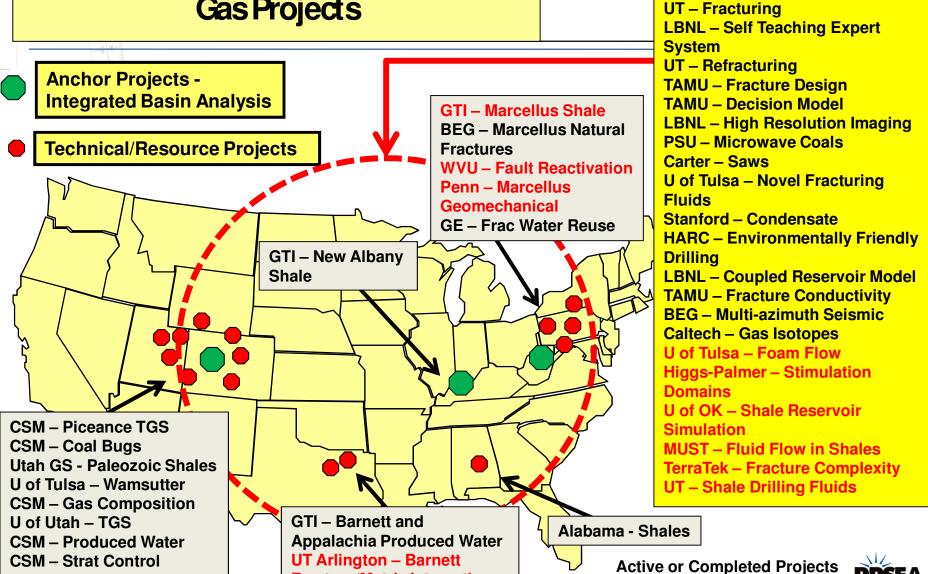
	CBM 10%	Gas Shales 45%	Tight Sands 45%
Integrated Basin Analysis			
Drilling			
Stimulation and Completion			
Water Management			
Environmental			
Reservoir Description & Management			
Reservoir Engineering			
Resource Assessment			
Exploration Technologies			
	H M L	High Priority  Medium Priority  Low Priority	Total Cost to RPSEA

CBM 10%		Gas Shales 45%	Tight Sands 45%
		New Albany (GTI) \$3.4	Piceance (CSM) \$2.9
Microwave CBM (Penn) \$.08		Cutters (Carter) \$.09 Frac (UT Austin) \$.69 Refrac (UT Austin) \$.95	Gel Damage (TEES) \$1.05 Frac Damage (Tulsa) \$.22
Integrated Treatment Framework (CSM) \$1.56			
		Hi Res. Imag. (LBNL) \$1.1	Tight Gas Exp. System (LBNL) \$1.7
		Decision Model (TEES) \$.31	Wamsutter (Tulsa) \$.44 Forecasting (Utah) \$1.1 Condensate (Stanford) \$.52
		Alabama Shales (AL GS) \$.5 Manning Shales (UT GS) \$.43	Rockies Gas Comp. (CSM) \$.67
Coal & Bugs (CSM) \$.86			
H M		High Priority  Medium Priority  Low Priority	2007 Projects
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Water Management	Integrated Treatment Framework (CSM) \$1.56	Barnett & Appalachian (GTI) \$2.5	Frac Water Reuse (GE) \$1.1
Environmental	*	Environmentally Friendly Drilling (HARC)* \$2.2	*
Reservoir Description & Management		Hi Res. Imag. (LBNL) \$1.1 Gas Isotope (Caltech) \$1.2 Marcellus Nat. Frac./Stress (BEG) \$1.0	Tight Gas Exp. System (LBNL) \$1.7 Strat. Controls on Perm. (CSM) \$0.1
Reservoir Engineering		Decision Model (TEES) \$.31 Coupled Analysis (LBNL) \$2.9	Wamsutter (Tulsa) \$.44 Forecasting (Utah) \$1.1 Condensate (Stanford) \$.52
Resource Assessment		Alabama Shales (AL GS) \$.5 Manning Shales (UT GS) \$.43	Rockies Gas Comp. (CSM) \$.67
Exploration Technologies	Coal & Bugs (CSM) \$.86	Multi-Azimuth Seismic (BEG) \$1.1	
2008 Program Priorities	Н	High Priority	2007 Projects
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	L	Low Priority	

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Reservoir Description & Management	Hi Res. Imag. (LBNL) \$1.1 Gas Isotope (Caltech) \$1.2 Marcellus Nat. Frac./Stress (BEG) \$1.0 Frac-Matrix Interaction (UT-Arl) \$0.46 Marcellus Geomechanics (PSU) \$3.1		Tight Gas Exp. System (LBNL) \$1.7 Strat. Controls on Perm. (CSM) \$0.1 Fluid Flow in Tight Fms. (MUST) \$1.2
Reservoir Engineering	Decision Model (TEES) \$.31  Coupled Analysis (LBNL) \$2.9  Shale Simulation (OU) \$1.05		Wamsutter (Tulsa) \$.44 Forecasting (Utah) \$1.1 Condensate (Stanford) \$.52
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	Anchor Project		2007 Projects
	2009 RFP Focus		2008 Projects
	Novel Concepts		2009 Projects

### RPSEA Unconventional Gas Projects



Fracture/Matrix Interaction

\$45 Million Research Portfolio

**Utah GS – Mancos Shale** 

**Cross-Cutting Technical** 

**Projects** 

2009 Selections

#### **Unconventional Resources Program**

- Selected Projects Presented at Annual Workshop (April 2010)
  - Early dissemination of preliminary results
  - Critical review by PAC
  - Review by PI Group
  - Communication among PIs
  - Identify opportunities for cooperation
  - Define program gaps for 2010 solicitation
  - Provide direction for draft Annual Plan
- Emphasis on Integration of Results
  - Workshop ideas
  - Need for active integration of projects into program –
     Reflected in 2011 draft Annual Plan
- 2010 RFP, 2011 Plan Structured to Build Upon Exist

### Last Year: 2010 Draft Annual Plan – Onshore Program Solicitation

- Integrated Program Targeting a Specific Resource
  - Build on existing projects
  - May be comprehensive or directed toward specific technology area
  - Topic areas amended as per URTAC recommendations
- Early-Stage Research on Novel Concepts for Unconventional Gas Development
- Innovative Approaches to Integrate the Results of Individual Projects
- Additional Emphasis in 2010 Solicitation
  - Improved drilling technology
    - Gap identified by PAC and others
    - Increase efficiency and effectiveness of well construction
  - Environment and Safety
    - Industry credibility damaged by Deepwater Horizon
    - Ensure risks of unconventional gas development are clearly identified

#### 2011 Draft Annual Plan – Onshore Program Solicitation

- Environment and safety risk assessment, reduction and mitigation
  - Explicit focus, increased emphasis in all aspects of program
- Innovative approaches for project integration
  - Plan and manage field trials
  - Integrate the results of existing projects
  - Plan tech transfer
- Develop an integrated resource-focused program
  - Topic areas (amended as per 2010 URTAC recommendations)
    - Resource Assessment
    - Geosciences
    - Basin Analysis and Resource Exploit
    - Drilling
    - Stimulation and Completion
    - Water Management
    - Reservoir Description and Manageme
    - Reservoir Engineering
    - Environmental
- Novel concepts for unconventional gas development



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#### 2011 Draft Annual Plan – Small Producer Program

#### Mission & Goals

- Unchanged from 2007-2010
- Increase supply from mature resources
  - Reduce cost
  - Increase efficiency
  - Improve safety
  - Minimize environmental impact

#### Objectives

- Near Term
  - Improve water management & optimize water use
  - Improve oil & gas recovery in mature fields, extending economic life
  - Reduce field operating costs
- Longer Term
  - Apply developed technologies to new basins/areas and develop new technologies to address the same objectives



## The Technology Challenges of Small Producers

#### Focus Area – Advancing Technology for Mature Fields

- Target Existing/Mature Oil & Gas Accumulations
  - Maximize the value of small producers' existing asset base
  - Leverage existing infrastructure
  - Return to production of older assets
  - Minimal additional surface impact
  - Minimize and reduce the existing environmental impact



Lower cost and maximize production while reducing environmental impact



### Small Producer Program – 2007-2008 Projects & 2009 Selections

- Nineteen projects addressing concerns of small producers operating mature assets
  - Produced water treatment (2)
  - Reservoir Characterization (3)
  - Enhanced oil and gas recovery (7)
  - Environmental impact & increased efficiency (4)
  - Stimulation, improved recovery and sweep efficiency (3)
- Projects each involve a consortium of researchers and small producers
- Small Producer Research Advisory Group (RAG) actively involved



#### 2010 Draft Annual Plan – Small Producer Program

- Awards to be made to Consortia
  - Small producers or organized for the benefit of small producers
  - Small producer: ≤ 1000 BOEPD
- 2011 Annual Plan Solicitations
  - Theme: Advancing
     Technology for Mature
     Fields
  - Path to initial application is critical
  - Complement 2007-2010 project selections





#### 2010 Draft Annual Plan – Small Producer Program

#### Technology Challenges

- Water management
- Improve recovery/extend economic life of reservoirs
- Reduce field operating costs and decrease environmental impact
- Well monitoring and reservoir modeling to allow efficient field operations
- Improved methods for well completions and recompletions
- Field tests of emerging technology
- Well and field data management
- Capture and reuse of waste products to reduce costs or increase recovery
- Leverage existing wellbores and surface footprint to maximize recovery
- Novel Concepts to increase production from mature fields
- Other topics addressing the program theme of Advancing Technology for Mature Fields are welcome

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#### **Technology Transfer Approaches**

- Engagement of PAC and TAC Members
  - Project selection and review
  - Participation in field tests as "early adopters"
- Active Coordination with NETL on Knowledge Management Database (KMD)
- PTTC Engagement Contract under review by NETL
- RPSEA Website Enhancement
  - Project information
  - Program direction
- 2.5% set-aside for tech transfer in each subcontract



#### **Project-Level Technology Transfer**

- Funded by 1.5% Set-aside
- Managed by subcontractors
  - Project-specific websites
  - Participation in conferences, workshops
  - Preparation of articles for journals, trade publications





#### Program-Level Technology Transfer

- Funded by 1% Setaside
- Managed by RPSEA
  - Website Enhancements
  - Coordination with NETL
     KMD, PTTC activities
  - Events at Major Technical Conferences (SPE, AAPG, SEG, etc.)
  - Directed publications, e.g.
     GasTips
  - RPSEA Forum Series, e.g.
     New Albany Shale Forum,
     June 2009, Unconventional
     Resources Workshop, April 2010





### Questions?

